the Panchayat. If the P. W. D. is to take it up and make it a good road fit for bus traffic the necessary repairs, alignments in certain places, bridges and culverts will have to be attended to. The total cost will come to about 5 to 6 thousand rupees. This road will prove a short cut from Trichur to places like Erumapetty, Nelluvaya and if it is possible for Government to allot funds for the improvement of this road in the next year's budget we will have no objection to take it to the P. W. D.

Resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

30. Reconstruction of the Thadipalam.

Mr. A. Narayana Menon *(Vyttila).*—*"This Council recommends to the Government that the first bridge (the Thadipalam) on the Ernakulam Hill Palace Road be so reconstructed as to ensure free exit of excess water on the paddy fields lying to the north of the road".*

I formally move this resolution because on a question put by me during the last Vrischigam meeting it was replied that the Chief Engineer has taken up the question and that he was corresponding with the Government. I believe that the Government are convinced of the necessity of the work. I do not think a long speech is necessary. With these few words I move the resolution.

Mr. Popatlal Goverdhan Lalan *(Mattancheri, North).*—I second it.

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon *(Chief Engineer).*—As I have already stated several times, at present the bridge in question is not in sound condition and it is our intention to include this if possible in the next budget. We shall also see whether we can widen the bridge.

Resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

31. Repairs to the Munnattumkuzhi Bund and Water-Channel.

Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon *(Cheruvirithi).*—*"This Council recommends to the Government that Munnattumkuzhi Bund and its Water Channel under Kariyannur Panchayat, Talappalli Taluk, be early repaired for the relief of the agriculturists".*

സർ, ഞാൻ ഈ പ്രമേയം ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട ഗവൺമെൻറിന്റെ മുമ്പാകെ അവതരിപ്പിക്കുന്നതിന്റെ ഉദ്ദേശം, ഇതിൽ പറയുന്ന

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Bund ഗവൺമെൻറിൽനിന്നും വളരെ പണം ചിലവുചെയ്തു ഉണ്ടാക്കിയതാണെങ്കിലും ഇപ്പോൾ വേണ്ടുന്നതായ നോട്ടമൊ, രക്ഷയൊ ഇല്ലാത്തതുകൊണ്ടു യാതൊരുവിധ ഉപകാരവും ഇല്ലാത്ത നിലയിൽ ആയിതീർന്നിട്ടുണ്ട്. തന്നിമിത്തം അയൽവക്കം കൃഷിക്കാർക്കു സാരമായ ദോഷം നേരിട്ടുവരുന്നതും ഉണ്ട്. അതുകൊണ്ടു ഇതിൻെറ ഗൌരവത്തെയും അടിയന്തിരമായ ആവശ്യത്തെയും ആലോചിച്ചു ഈ Bund നു വേണ്ടുന്നതായ റിപ്പയറുകൾ ഉടനെ ചെയ്യാനായി അപേക്ഷിച്ചുകൊണ്ടു ഞാൻ ഈ പ്രമേയത്തെ ഈ സഭ മുമ്പാകെ അവതരിപ്പിച്ചുകൊള്ളുന്നു.

Mr. M. A. Sankunny *(Nominated).*—I second it.

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health & Panchayat).*—There is already a provision of Rs. 2,600 in the Panchayat budget and estimates have been prepared. The work will be taken up this year.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. കുഞ്ഞിരാമമേനോൻ *(Cherwiruthi).*— ഗവൺമെണ്ടിൻെറ അനുകൂലമായ മറുപടി കേട്ടതുകൊണ്ടു ഈ പ്രമേയത്തെ പിൻവലിക്കുന്നതിനു അനുവദിക്കണമെന്നു അപേക്ഷിക്കുന്നു.

Resolution was, by leave, withdrawn.

32. Remodelling of the Ernakulam Public Library.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi).*—*"This Council recommends to Government that the Ernakulam Public Library and Reading Room may be made an up-to-date Library on the model of the Trivandrum Public Library and that a committee consisting of three members of whom one may be the President of the Ernakulam Public Library may be appointed for suggesting ways and means for the same".*

My object in moving this resolution is only one thing. We must have an up-to-date decent library in the State. To suggest ways and means for achieving that object, a small committee may be appointed. Regarding the utility of a Public Library no speech is required. Every Member will realise in these modern days a public library is a national asset. As the Director of Public Instruction remarked the other day we must make the Maharaja's College a model institution. Similarly we must have a model library at Ernakulam. At present there are no libraries in the State worth the name. But I know there is a model library at Trivandrum. I appreciate the Trivandrum Library and its working. There is at Trivandrum, the Public Library association and there is the working committee of the Public Library Association and the Honorary Secretary to look after the Library. Then we have the librarian and the permanent

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